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The amendment filed on 9/21/2009 amended all claims drawn to the elected invention such that they are no longer directed to the elected subject matter of a composition comprising formononetin and biochanin A. Such an amendment is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). For example, applicant withdrew claim 66 from examination because it was not directed to the elected subject matter (see applicant's response of 10/8/2003, page 9 of the Remarks), but currently amended version of claim 73 is now virtually identical to the withdrawn claim 66. Applicant's amendment cannot result in a shift in election.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

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